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2 MEN INDICTED IN 100-KILO MARIJUANA CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that two men were indicted by a federal grand jury today for conspiring to distribute marijuana.

Ronaldo D. Lee, 25, of Houston, Texas, and **Valintine Meredith**, 24, address unknown, were charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Lee** and **Meredith** conspired to distribute 100 kilograms or more of marijuana between June 15 and July 4, 2005.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Lee** and **Meredith** possessed with intent to distribute 100 kilograms or more of marijuana on July 4, 2005.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Patrick J. O'Connor. The case was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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